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## NEWS RELEASE

### **DANIEL CURRAN APPOINTED TO NCAA DIVISION I BOARD OF DIRECTORS, GROUP RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSEEING LEGISLATION IN TOP DIVISION**

DAYTON, Ohio — Daniel J. Curran, president of the University of Dayton, has been appointed to the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Division I board of directors — the chief executives who are responsible for overseeing legislation for 318 institutions in the NCAA's top division.

The four-year appointment on the 18-member board of directors begins in 2004. The Philadelphia native will serve as the representative from the Atlantic 10.

The NCAA Division I board of directors is currently focusing on academic reform, including rates that track the academic progress of athletes.

"In the short time that President Curran has been at Dayton, he has exhibited a tremendous knowledge of the issues facing intercollegiate athletics. He will be a strong advocate for student-athletes and a strong voice for academic reform," said Linda Bruno, A-10 commissioner.

The NCAA is a voluntary association of about 1,200 colleges and universities, athletic conferences and sports organizations devoted to the administration of intercollegiate athletics. When the NCAA underwent a major restructuring in 1997, the one-school, one-vote principle approving legislation was replaced in Division I with a system based on conference representation. Legislation is approved by an 18-member board of directors rather than a vote of all Division I members at an annual convention.

Curran, who just completed his first year as president of the University of Dayton, has involved himself in a number of other high-profile areas, particularly in economic development and technology. Ohio Gov. Bob Taft named him to the Ohio Aerospace and Defense Advisory Council, and he sits on the board of the Dayton Development Coalition, a group that sets regional economic development priorities. He also serves on the executive committee of the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce.

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